

# State Epidemiology Outcomes Workgroup

Thursday, January 3, 2008 9-11 a.m. Room 314

**In attendance:** Ed Ho, Steve Harrison, Jeff Smart, Ben Reaves, Christy Porucznik, Susannah Burt, Jamie Smith, Tricia Winder, Stacy Eddings, Brenda Ahlemann, Verne Larsen

**Excused:** Barbara Sullivan, Craig PoVey

## **Minutes**

### I. Welcome

### **II. Review Minutes**

o Christy moved to approve the December minutes. Jeff seconded the motion and was unanimously approved.

### **III. Review Action Items**

- o Poison control contract is still in process.
- Christy suggested that we show the data for meth to correct misperceptions as a priority.
- o Steve suggested that we show the media that prevention is based on science-based research.
- o Christy suggested letting the media know what the SEOW is and it's purpose.
- o Brenda suggested letting the media know about the data that we have for prescription drug abuse.

### **Action Items:**

- o Susannah will send the SPF plan to the SEOW. The plan has still NOT been approved.
- o Barbara, Ed, Angela, and Brenda will try to meet and come up with some criteria for inclusion of data.

### IV. Assessment and prioritization for SPF based on economics

- o How do the priorities impact the economy?
- o How can we measure this?
  - Steve suggested first looking at the national data already gathered.
  - CDC has a cost calculator for tobacco and possible for alcohol.
  - Steve volunteered Jamie to collect a list of cost analysis resources.

### **Action Item:**

o Jamie will email a cost analysis site to Tricia.

### V. Review Data Sources

- a. What data do we have?
- b. Where are the gaps?
- c. What data would we need to collect on an additional survey?
- Health has added questions to the BRFSS to include non-medical use of prescription drug use. Some ethnicities are not well represented due to the added cost.
- Next year the BRFSS will be starting to sample cell phones.
- o Reports on the BRFSS won't be available until next year.
- Steve suggested doing a targeted sample if we find a gap that we need to fill.
- o Ed suggested looking into drug testing at worksites.
- Christy suggested doing a qualitative study about some of the communities that we don't know very much about (i.e. Vernal oil workers).

### **Action Items:**

O Susannah will go over minutes to identify some gaps already identified. She will send out an email with a list of gaps by next Fri. If you think there are other gaps that she did not identify then reply and include them on the list. We will review the list at the next meeting.

### VI. Other Items

- We need to come up with an expert panel to review programs to be deemed evidence-based for SPF.
- Ed suggested that it would be a good idea to come up with some criteria of what will be looking for. May be a good idea to review some programs that we know will be utilized.
- o Brenda suggested Noreen be invited to be on the panel.
- o Stacy suggested looking at other states lists of criteria for inclusion.

#### **Action Item:**

o Susannah will invite Noreen to be on the expert panel.

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 14, 2008 9am